January 6, 1954

Mr. Fred C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I have located a fellow in Texas who has a $1,000 and $3,000 Bank of the United States notes. You spoke to me and indicated that you wanted these. He seems to want Texas bonds or any Texas items which he does not have but he already has the normal Republic of Texas notes and the Government of Texas notes.

Send me any Texas duplicates you have and let me see if I can get these for you. You ought to have some bonds with coupons or something of that sort which we could swap for these.

Excuse this quick note but I thought you would be interested.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

February 12, 1954

Mr. Fred Boyd
P. O. Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Helen and Fred:

My wife and children were very impressed with the stories I told them about our experiences with the deer. You provide a different novelty each time I put in my appearance. I assure you I will not leave my wife behind after this.

Fred, your trip to New York the day after I saw you left us shadowing one another as I saw A.K., Charles, Kenneth Scott, Wayte Raymond and Mrs. Norweb. I had a most delightful time with each one of them and I presume you saw A.K. and Charles too.

Kenneth Scott begged me for pictures of all of the counterfeit Colonial money which I had in my collection and I told him I would send it to the American Numismatic Society so that he could make photographs if he wished. I have already done so. He indicated he had written to you making the same request. I remember a group of counterfeit colonials which you had put aside saying someone wished to see them. I will be very grateful if you send them for photography.

I am going to investigate the Thomas Dalton matter at the first opportunity. It is in a part of St. Louis I rarely visit but I will get there.

I am enclosing the picture of the lottery ticket which you requested and I have checked with the Missouri Historical Society very carefully and they indicate this is the specimen I have. I have their chief archivist looking to see if there could be any other such ticket.

I am writing you separately concerning the matter of holding assets jointly with your wife and, no doubt, you inquired concerning that when you were in New York.

February 12, 1954

You indicated that you would send me your Bolens and other copies of colonials, etc. at some convenient time and I would very much like to see them. I also would be fascinated to publish some sort of list of the issuers of Civil War postage stamp envelopes and am wondering if that would interest you. If so I would like to have a set for examination.

Your request for the plates for my book on Machin's Mill coinage will not be forgotten. I plan to have these plates rephotographed flat mounted on cardboard or linen so that they can be properly used.

I still don't know what to do about the lottery tickets in Massachusetts and will bide my time until I can get those for you somehow.

Evelyn and I are going to take the children to Sarasota, Florida on March 13. If there is anything I can do for you in the way of securing a place for you to move to, please let me know your wishes. I fully understand the problem you have with respect to living in Ringoes. You could probably write a book "Mister Blanding Lives in his Dream Home" and discuss domestic help problems, shooting of wildlife, Japanese beetles, snow shoveling, pipe freezing, etc. If Brasher could talk he would probably want to move too and you could find a new home as a service to him. I certainly am convinced that you owe it to yourselves to find an easier way to live.

I sincerely appreciate your hospitality in making me feel so welcome when I come to New York. I only wish you could visit us and we would put you to work on our problems. That would certainly take your mind off your own.

Evelyn asks to be remembered to both of you.

Sincerely,

EPNewman/atb

April 5, 1954

Mr. Fred C. C. Boyd
P.O.Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I recently returned from Florida where I looked over a number of cities with the idea of whether Helen and Fred would like them and I am more or less convinced that you should give consideration to Sarasota, Clearwater and St. Petersburg. There are a lot of very nice people living permanently in these cities in attractive comfortable homes. Nobody hurries. The restaurants are many and very attractive. There are interesting things to do in every direction. I think you might enjoy investigating the area.

I have never had so much work to do for our company as I have now. New shopping centers are developing all over the country and just as you had the same problems with Union News Company we are trying to get properly set up in the good shopping centers.

I am probably going to Boston in the near future and have not forgotten the lottery situation near there. I know that you told me the Washington City Canal lotteries were pretty common but I had a friend of mine looking for tickets for you and he found one for the Eastern Branch Harbor which is enclosed.

I am returning herewith the two Nova Constellatio cents which I borrowed from you for photography and I appreciate your lending them to me.

I was able to acquire a very interesting Indiana Bank Note of the Steam Mill and am enclosing the same as you might not have it.

My children enjoyed the trip to Florida immensely, particularly Marineland, where we threw a rubber ring to a porpoise in the

water who caught it and threw it back several times. We visited St. Augustine, Silver Springs, Tarpon Springs, Cypress Gardens and all the tourists traps. We finally ended up by going to Greensboro, North Carolina to visit a collsge friend of mine and I received one of the worse kiddings of my life arising out of the following: We went into the museum at the Guildford Court House Battleground. There I noticed some coins on display and remarked that I would like to see the other side of the coins as I was interested in die varieties. The attendant stated that he could not do that. After going back to the office for a moment, he said to our group, "if you are interested in the coins I suggest you writs to Eric Newman, who gave them." With that my friends howled and told him that was my name. The attendant then said, "well, in that event I will open the case" and I replied, "well, in that event it will be unnecessary, as I have already seen the coins." I had completely forgotten that I had given the coins to the National Park Service 10 or 15 years ago for this display and I don't believe I will ever hear the end of that failure of memory.

I have checked the former address of Thomas Dalton and am enclosing a copy of letter which I have written to him. He lives with his nephew, Joseph Borail.

If you get a chance to let me see the Civil War stamp envelopes or the Bolens which I mentioned in my last letter I will be most interested.

Mary Crusan is coming to visit us in a few days and that will give me all of the Army news.

My best to both you and Helen.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

April 5, 1954

Mr.Thomas Dalton
Lake Montowese
House Springs, Missouri

Dear Mr.Dalton:

Recently I visited a friend of yours, Mr. Fred C.C.Boyd, P.O.Box 153, Ringoes, New Jersey, and he wanted to be remembered to you if I could find out where you were. I telephoned your old address at 7328 Vermont Avenue and Mrs. Hyde was nice enough to give me your new address.

Since you have moved out to the country I will have to give you Fred Boyd's greetings by letter.

Perhaps he would enjoy hearing from you.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

April 12, 1954

Mr. Fred C. C. Boyd
P. O. Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I am turning up further fascinating facts on Machin's Mills Mint and need your help on one tiny item.

It is entirely possible that the obverse of the 1787 Connedticut cent, Miller 32(1)-X3 is the same as the obverse of 1788 Miller 16(6)-H. Would you be kind enough to mail me your copy of 1787 32(1)-X3 so that I may examine it and have its picture taken.

I hope I am not a nuisance.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

4/26/54

Dear Eric

Yours Apr 12th Received

I hope you will pardon the delay have been so busy with the dentist that I neglected my mail

I am enclosing the specimen you requested 1-32/1 x 3- and another one with broken Die thought you would like to see both also

Enclosing an interested piece I bought for the Brand Estate will you number this one for me

Now in regards to the Bolen token of Colonials - do you want to see them all - or just the copper one I have them in Silver, Copper Lead

and Bravo

Re to stamp Envelope used prior to F.C. what is your intention to write about them, if so I can help you out with a loan of pamplet written by H R Drowne in 1917 — I also have a photo of Each one I have in my Collection

Best regards

Fred

May 4, 1954

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I want you to know, as I have stated before, that if you don't feel like anewering your mail on time it is well understood. There is nothing which is a worse nuisance than taking a continual drubbing from the dentiet.

I very much appreciate seeing the two Connecticut cents - 32(1)X3, and find that they are a different die from 1788 16(6). I had suspected they might be the same and had to check that point out. The third Connecticut cent which you forwarded to me with the very heavy die break is: 33(28)Z16. I am returning these three coins herewith.

With reepect to the Bolen colonials, I am interested in determining how certain errors were made by informants of Crosby and for that reason presume that it would be best to see those in all metals. There certainly could not be too many of them. I would not be interested in any of the political medale of Bolen or his other types of tokens.

As to the stamp envelopes of the Civil War period, I was anxious to give some sort of article to Wayte Raymond as he has been begging me for additional articlee and I thought it might be eaey to publish a list of the known issuers and some history concerning these. If you have a pamphlet already written on the subject he might wish to republish it. I have never eeen it and would enjoy reading it tremendously and it might be nice to have a liet of your envelopes and they could be assembled either from the picturee or the originals. Do you agree with me that such an article would be interesting?

Mary and Winston Cruzan just came to vieit ue on their way to Oklahoma City and told me that the dogwood this week was more gorgeous than ever and, no doubt, you are having a wonderful spring. I should imagine that back in your mind you and Helen enjoy the spring and summer eo much in the country that you can take the winter problems in stride.

We just held the fifth annual book fair and raised $7800.00 for charity in so doing. We had a rather cute sign which read: "Louisiana Purchase 150th Anniversary Book Fair Fifth Anniversary".

I bought some pieces of paper money from the New Netherlands Coin Company which I had never heard of before and wondered if you had them. They are a state of South Carolina $10 note, March 2, 1872, completely type set like the common $5 note but not in the common engraved type. I also picked up a set of notes of the Vermont Glass Company -- two different ones -- a $2 and a $3. If any of these would be of interest to you please let me know and they will be forthcoming.

I had a deterioration in my Florida Civil War period State Bank Note collection and all of my 1862 and 1863 black and white notes became powder. I don't know what I can do to replace them. Fortunately, I noticed it before the red and black notes were affected. I went through every one of my paper money volumes and pulled out every acetate envelope which had the slightest yellow color. Apparently the early acetate envelopes which Green ordered were not too stable and the latter ones were much improved. Apparently, if pressure is put upon the earlier ones or certain chemicals spilled on them the chain reaction starts. You told me you had similar problems. I still am going to keep my paper money in acetate envelopes as this accident might have occurred because this book was jammed in by our cleaning woman.

Evelyn joins me in sending our best wishes.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

May 15

Dear Eric

Enclosed find Ballot tokens, please return them in same envelopes - I have a few duplicates maybe 1 or 2 - I am not sending Miles - as they are the same class. When you have finished playing with these please return

Am also sending my only copy of Downes list, I do not believe that you could publish anything new on these envelopes - please return when you are finished with the book

Hope you and your good wife and family are enjoying good health

Best for us both

Fred

List on Rev.

2S 2C 2B

7S 7C

8C

10C 10B 10S

33S 33C 33B

34A 34C

36C 36B

37S 37C 37AS

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

1954

June 9th

Dear Eric

[redacted]

Also thank you Re. Tom Dalton
I have now heard from him.
Forget about the Sullivan lot of
Fatty tucker she sold them to a
Friend of mine at his own price
No where near 300.00

By the way I believe the Brand papers and so Rosa Americana papers that I believe are now in the Johnson Estate - Could you get them on memo for me I would like to see them -

I have been very busy since my return from Florida trying to clean up the weeds Etc

Best regards to you and your good lady

Fred

July 9, 1954

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

We have just moved our offices to a new building, thus I did not have time to write you promptly. One wall of my new office is papered with early eighteenth century maps. All the other walls are a new plastic material which looks like painted burlap but is washable, etc.

I ordered two Wyoming lottery tickets, on approval, from an Albany dealer and I hope they are something new for you. If they are interesting, keep them. If they are not I can return them.

The Bolens which you were kind enough to lend me are being returned under separate cover. They were what I needed in order to find additional differences between them and the genuine coins. There are too many Bolens with secret marks removed and I wanted to annotate Kenney's pamphlet. I do not have a Bolen Confederatio,large stars, or a Carolina token Bolen or Liber Natus Bolen. If you feel like looking through your duplicates for them I would appreciate getting these additional types.

I have been able to locate a very exciting document in England, namely, the text of the official warrant for Virginia coinage. Not only were the coins made pursuant to an act of the Virginia legislature on order of George III, but they were minted in the Tower. The dies were made at the Tower and the coins were made of legal tender. This is the only coin England officially authorized as legal tender and coined for American use.

My wife is off on a new project. She is equipping and merchandising a souvenir store at the Missouri Historical Society

in order to raise money for them. The Lindbergh trophies are there. The entire museum has been opened to the public without charge but has never fulfilled the public's continual requests for souvenirs. She is having the time of her life.

As to the pamphlet you sent me on the Civil War envelopes, I told you that I was trying to find something for Wayte Raymond to publish. I note that this was part of a larger publication since the page numbering is 63 to 72 and wonder whether this was a part of an American Numismatic Society publication. If that is the case he should not republish it.

I am enclosing a separate letter on the legal matter we discussed.

My daughter is at camp in Maine and we are spending the summer at home.

I sincerely hope you have a pleasant summer and, for the present, Evelyn and I send both of you our best wishes.

Sincerely,

E.N/atb

July 13, 1954

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

The Kagin boys sent me a Rosa Americana ~~and~~ twopence without date and having no label in the field. This ~~same~~ coin is illustrated in the 1953 catalogue as a pattern.

Since you collect die varieties of these I am wondering if you already have it. It is too late for me to collect die varieties of these coins and get any where.

I am enclosing the note I received from them. The coin will be in the shipment of Bolens. Please return Paul Kagin's letter and tell me whether the coin is of interest to you.

Kindest regards.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

July 13 1954

Dear Eric

Thanks for your letter of the 9th

Regarding Wyoming Lottery tickets I am returning them as I just bought a pair from the Albany Book shop it was very good and kind of you to think of me

When I receive the returned Holcus I will get to my Collection and see if I have duplicates of the ones you want if I have I will be glad to send them to you

That certainly must have been an exciting moment when you located the Off warrant for Va Courage

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F. C. C. BOYD · RINGOES · NEW JERSEY

The pamphlet I sent you was published by the A.N.S.

Our best wishes to your wife in her new project

Thanks for the legal advice I will take it up with Frank on his next visit here

Best regards

Fred

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

July 24 54

Dear Eric

I am returning the R A

No date which Kagin sent you - as I have a better one in my collection, I had only recently returned this Coin to Kagin he asked me 650.00 for it, (it is only worth for 50 to 75.00. Thank you for thinking of me.

Re duplicate Bolens these enclosed are the only duplicate I have - all of a sudden these are becoming quite rare - Hope you like the condition please accept them with my Complimentos

Now I have a favor to ask you you have a Pine Tree XII C 6K I would like to have it and in exchange I would give you any two of the following,

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

C 5 B r N. 5

C 5a B r N 6

C 6 D

C 1a C N 10

C 2 1 L N. 16

C 2 2 L N. 17

C 13 S N 30

Best regards to you and your dear wife from us both

Sincerely

Fred

By the way do you have any Washington funeral medals if you do have I would like to see them. I am now working on the series

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# EDISON BROTHERS STORES, INC.

No.

EXECUTIVE OFFICES
ST. LOUIS, MO.

TO Mr. Newman
% Office

July 31, 1953
DATE RETURNED

RETURN NO.

FROM Brown Supply Company, St. Louis, Mo. VIA

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Delivered To:

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Boyd
Ringoes, New Jersey

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REDIFORM—PATD.—AMERICAN SALES BOOK CO., INC., NIAGARA FALLS, N. Y.

Boyd wants

1772 Mo Pillar Dollar

4 reales Pillar in nice cond
2 reales " " " "

Lake Montowese
House Springs, Mo
within

Thomas Dalton
7328 Vermont Ave
St Louis, Mo

Paul Hyde
Sweet br 2188

Joint tenancy problem
investigate

Picture of Mo Lottery Ticket
Write woman in Mass for tickets

the Immune - Nova in silver
VII-31 milled edge and plain edge

Boyd has both

Boyd has envelopes (Civil War)
Boyd has Bolens for me to see.

Phillip G. Nordell
K.V. 1
Ambler, Pa.

August 3, 1954

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I am enclosing, for your file, the warrant for the issuance of the Virginia halfpence which is as fascinating a document as I have seen in a long time. I was considering letting Wayte Raymond publish it along with the other legal data known about the Virginia coinage and would like your opinion as to whether it should be published in the Numismatist instead. I was able to obtain this copy from England and,so far as I can tell, its provisions have never been published. Charles Tatman, in his "Virginia Coinage" mentions this warrant. The fascinating part is that the work was done in the Tower and John Norton was acting on behalf of the Virginia colony, he having moved from Virginia to England prior to this time.

I ran across an interesting item for you which I am enclosing, namely, a piece of scrip used as money by the 11th Regiment of Iowa Volunteers. The Sutler handled the outfit's money and when pay was not forthcoming, issued these notes against the pay due a soldier, endorsed the notes for circulation, so that they could be redeemed at will. The pay rarely caught up with the Western Union Armies.

I very much appreciated the two Bolen pieces and, as you indicate, they have become popular. Johnston and Kosoff used to give me these fakes and it is hard to realize that they should have any further status. In the A.N.S. sale this month, lot No. 68 indicates how ignorant people are of this type of fake as the Idler copy of a Washington President I, in silver, is listed as genuine and, shockingly enough, illustrated.

I have never collected Washington memorial medals and am enclosing the only 3 I have..... "He is in Glory - the World in Tears", and two bronze medals by Wyon. One is dated 1796 and may not be your type. The other indicates Washington's death. You, of course, are welcome to these if you can use them.

The thing that bothers me, for the moment, is that I have not been able to find sufficient items for you to add to your collection but I am on the hunt all the time.

The Pine Tree shilling you asked for is one of the treasured items in my collection. It is,apparently, the only specimen now known as Mr. Noe chased everywhere to locate the one Crosby illustrated and finally, and reluctantly, asked me for mine. If it were only a minor variety it would not mean much to me but it is the only specimen of Pine Tree coinage where there is the misspelling "Masasthusets".

I have no opportunity to acquire all of the die varieties of Massachusetts silver unless the Clarke collection could be acquired and I would like to know from you whether you or at all interested in it. If you are I will not show any interest in it without your approval as I would not wish to try to acquire it if you had an interest in doing so and I certainly would not want to let it be known that both of us were interested in acquiring it. I assume that you have an interest in getting it. I do have a number of die varietiss of the Massachusetts coinage, including all of those you list, but it would certainly be a dream to get the Wurtzbach group as enlarged by Clarke. I am sure you will understand my present desire to keep the 6K and, frankly, I feel pretty terrible about not complying with your every wish. It just happens to be a main cog in my collection. I am determined, however, to find the other one beginning right now.

I am returning the pamphlet on the postage currency which you were kind enough to lend me.

I went down to Fort Sill, Oklahoma, to visit my brother-in-law and it was 109°. There was no air conditioning and we had to attend an artillery demonstration just to make it hotter. My son, who came along, wanted to see the buffalo which were roaming in the hills and we drove for 100 miles, in that heat, through dusty roads, trying to find some buffalo. We finally did and the only reason I did not feel sorry for myself is that I felt sorrier for the buffalo.

My daughter is at camp in Maine and has enjoyed her summer immensely. If I can figure out a way for my wife and myself to call for her in New York I would like to do so.

My very best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Aug 25 1954

Dear Eric

Thanks for your letter of August 3rd and thank you for sending me the warrant for the Va 1/2 Pence - I would suggest that to make the article more instructive by that you list the various 1/2d in your article I will be pleased to loan you my collection of these pieces, I think I have 14 Dif Dies - and this article I would give to Raymond

Also thank you for the sutter check I am glad to have it.

Also thank you for the working to Funeral Medals

forgot about my request for your Pine tree shilling - I certainly would

want you to depend — yourself
of owning this piece

Regarding Clarke collection I
have been trying to buy it for
at least 7 years and am again
trying to get hold of it — Mrs Clarke
is asking a very stiff price but
I have hopes of owning it soon —
will let you know if I get it
Best regards to you and Evelyn
for Helen and

Yours truly
Fred

F.C.C. Boyd

Sept.1,1954

Dear Fred:

Just to show you how you can read my mind I am enclosing my extra copy of the unfinished text of what I am writing on Virginia coinage. I hope to combine this with the text of the warrant and would be delighted to add the die varieties toit. Would you therefore let me see all of the Virginias which you have? What I wish most is criticism and suggestions as to this and any thing else I write, so don't be hesitant about chewing up any theories about which I may be in error and giving me any facts or rumors which you recall. One of these days I am going to submit the text of my big opus on coppers and it is about half finished now.

My daughter just returned from camp in Maine last night and visited New York for the first time.She even ate in Rockefeller Center which I believe you once operated. Our entire family are now assembled with dog,turtle,chameleon and plenty of laughs,so we will now get ready for school.

I hope that you get the Clarke silver .It is gorgeous and if one realizes how crazy prices are on mint marks,one wonders why these idiots fail to show an interest in really wonderful material like that.

Evelyn and I are talking about a trip ,but it is still in the talking stage.We want to go to Egypt,but we do not plan to remain quite as long as Hans.He is lucky they let him out at all.

Our best.

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

9/8/54

Dear Eric

Under separate cover you will find my collection of Va ½ D. the ones in WR Trays are the ones I have picked up over the years. the ones in Envelopes are the Rider lot – you will note # on the trays these do not mean anything so if you number over just change my no to yours at the same time put # on the Rider pcs now the news I have gotten the clarke collection of N. E. Pine tree Etc silver 185 Pcs. they certainly are in beautiful condition, when I see you next I will get them out for you

Hold these coins until my return would appreciate it if you would write me that you have received this package

Best regards

Fred

September 15, 1954

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

The Virginia coins arrived and you asked me to let you know.

I am delighted that you were able to acquire the Clark silver collection. I know you will derive a great deal of pleasure out of it and I certainly look forward to seeing some of its fascinations. I have the Wurtzbach photographs but, apparently, there are extremely many items added.

If you are going away, how about stopping in St. Louis. In six weeks you can even get here by horseback.

Our best to both of you.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

October 28, 1954

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I have the Missouri Historical Society checking catalogues for lottery items for you and am merely enclosing the note which they sent me.

As soon as I have my pictures of the Virginia halfpence I will return them. I am having one of the photographers set up photographic equipment here as ANS apparently is tying itself up with other work.

Let me hear from you when you return.

Sincerely yours,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Nov 12 – 1948

Dear Eric

Have just returned from a 6 weeks tour of England, Holland Germany Switzerland Italy & France Had a fine time however no Coins, did not look at any.

Am glad you liked my Va Coins – when you return then would you be good enough to place your numbers on them and of course I would like a copy of the Photos be sure and number same

I have just had the pleasure of looking at my Clarke Collection of N.E. Silver – it is beautiful but I have to pay thru the nose for it – It is in opinion the finest Collection in existance – however it lacks the pc you have sometime

will you give me a Photo
of your piece

The Storm here on Oct 15
did a lot of tree damage
and took off 18 slates from the
Barn roof

Best regards to you both
for now

Fred

November 30, 1954

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I was delighted to learn that you completed an exciting trip to Europe. I am glad you didn't look at any coins as that would have a tendency to spoil the trip for the wife - a situation with which I am fully familiar.

Since your departure I have been endeavoring to set up photographic equipment of my own for coins and am having a difficult time but will conquer it. ANS seems to be too busy with classical material, etc. I also heard a rumor that Mr. Baker, their photographer, was going to leave but I have no accurate facts.

I have completed the article on the Virginia halfpence and submitted the matter to Wayte Raymond and he writes me that "it isn't possible for a comprehensive monograph on Virginia coinage to have sales value". In other words, unless he is going to sell a lot of copies he does not seem to wish to publish it. Of course, he indicates that if I add some material on his Virginia currency and James River Bank Notes then it might be worth while. You suggested that Wayte Raymond publish this and I indicated that I would send it to him but now I think I am free to publish it elsewhere. The Institute of Early American History and Culture, at Williamsburg, Virginia, which publishes the William and Mary quarterly seems interested in publishing it and I may consider the Numismatist, also. Give me your thoughts on the matter as I think you were trying to do Wayte Raymond a favor by letting him have the opportunity of publishing it. In any event I will have to keep the coins a while further until I straighten out the photography.

I am enclosing, as you requested, a photograph of my 6K which is also photographed in the standard catalogue. I am also enclosing some photographs which were sent to me of an unknown

variety of a Pine Tree mutilation by Kenneth E. Bressett, 28 Woodbury Street, Keane, New Hampshire. He offered me this gem for $550.00 and stated it will be published in next month's Numismatist for the first time. If this is of interest to you please feel free to write him directly or give me instructions and I will do it for you. I call it a mutilation even though he doesn't. At least it is an unusual situation to turn up a new variety of Pine Tree at this time. No maker of a fake would have trimmed the coin this far.

I have loads more to tell you but merely wanted to get these items in the mail to you now.

Evelyn and I are thinking about going to Hayti over the holidays but will begin to get reservations tonight.

Our best wishes to you both.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Dec 3rd
1954

Dear Eric

Yours of the 30th received
And as usual glad to hear from
you

Glad to learn that you are
going to set up your own Photographic
Equipment, that should be a wonderful
Sport almost as good as collecting Coins.

I note that you have completed
your article on the Va Halfpence
And that W.R is not desirous of
publishing same unless you would
include an article on the James
River notes, I would like to know
Why you should include Jamestown
Notes it would be like including
An article on Shoes or Hats to go
with Va L.D. ha ha

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

I am sorry I suggested to give the article to Raymond I must certainly would give the article to The Institute of Early American Fisting & Culture — it would certainly get a wider distribution that W.K. pamphlet — on second choice the numismatist.

Thanks for the Photo of your lovely 6 K. I am going to put this Photograph with my Pine tree and make out the piece is in the Collection.

Mr Kenneth E. Bressett must think that his shilling is a Brasher Doubloon to ask 550.00 for it I would say if it went at auction they would be happy to get 75.00 for the piece in that condition, Thanks for sending the Photo

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F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Eric I am always asking favors do you know at of the People at the William & Mary if you do will you ask to give you a list of American Lottery tickets in their Collection

I am slowly getting together a pretty nice Collection, but they are hard to get

I hope if you go to Haiti that you will enjoy good weather and that you and Evelyn will have a wonderful time

We both send our very best regards to you both

Ever

Fred

December 13, 1954

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I am enclosing a Franklin Benefit Association lottery ticket and also a Providence Meeting House lottery ticket. I hope they can be of benefit to you.

I have been working rather hard on the Virginia halfpence and have just had the experience of getting a variety which you did not have from Mr. Mehl in a recent auction. His auctions intrigue me. He owns the material and you get the privilege of bidding against Mr. Mehl. Whatever bid you put in is the bid you buy it at even though it states that you will be bidding against other bidders. I called him up on the 'phone and told him that I would buy at my prices if he really was going to sell the material; if he wasn't going to sell it to withdraw my bids. It was quite a novel conversation with the Dean of the Dealers. No holds are barred, these days.

I have also located, in another collection, a Virginia piece which you do not have. I assume it is all right with you if I exchange your duplicate die varieties from your group for varieties you do not have. This, I believe, will be of benefit to you and I will certainly do so as to the one I got from Mr. Mehl and am asking the other party to do likewise.

I will go to work on the William and Mary lottery ticket collection as soon as I find it timely.

The coin pictures I am taking are beginning to turn out nicely.

I succeeded in obtaining from Mr. Mehl the North Carolina token with "PROPRIETERS". It has a gilt plating on part of it. This piece was formerly in the Brand collection. Mehl, of course, states it is original gilt. I state that he has original brass to state that it has original gilt. Have you ever heard of a

December 13, 1954

piece of that sort having gilt on it? The gilt is gone in many places and I am going to try to have some metallurgist tell me how to eliminate it the rest of the way. I will be glad to send it to you after the holidays if you want to see it.

Our best to both of you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Jan 27nd
1905

Dear Eric

Your great surprise arrived here two days before Xmas and I can assure you I was delighted with same during the Holidays we used the High ball glasses nearly every day they are wonderful thank you very much

I do not believe that I replied to your last letter regarding the new Var that you said you may be able to exchange by all means do so

Now as to the Duplicates I wish you would select 1 of Ea Variety with my compliments

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Also received your note with page from Swan's Auction for which I thank you very much I hope to get that lot will let you know

Did you and your good Wife go to Hanty and have you returned I hope you had a good trip and an enjoyable one

Best to you both

Fred & Helen

January 31, 1955

Mr. Fred Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I have been extremely busy working on new store locations and have been slowed down in my research; however, I am enclosing a copy of an article which I am sending the Numismatist for publication about the tin plantation 1/24th real. I obtained a photostat of the document therein described and as a result can firmly establish this piece as an American colonial item. If you see anything wrong with what I have written, please let me know promptly as it is not too late for correction before publication.

Evelyn and I are delighted that you and Helen enjoyed the coin glasses and I agree with you that drinks do taste better out of them.

We had a most exciting trip to Haiti, going up to the Citadel on mule back. We drove all over the island and studied the coral formations at the place where Columbus wrecked the Santa Maria. The anchor of the Santa Maria is in Haiti and is a fantastic bit of Americana. We lived at a private villa which our hotel had rented because the hotel was so crowded. We were so pleased because it enabled the children to have a marvelous time. It was like visiting Africa to be in the countryside of Haiti as the crops and the customs and the thatched huts were merely the culture of the slaves brought over from Africa. It also gave you a great feeling of satisfaction to see the negro race acting with dignity and modestly running their own republic their own way. We became very friendly with a number of native families and there are even some coin collectors among them who have fantastic collections.

I just read Clarence Brigham's book on the engravings of Paul Revere and I believe that the section on paper money is a

great tribute to the way you cooperate with those doing sincere research. You certainly made it possible for him to do an outstanding piece of work. I have just written him that it is entirely possible that Paul Revere did the New Hampshire notes of June 30, 1775 of which I only have a sheet reprint. Take a look at them and you will note how similar they are to the May 25, 1775 issue of Massachusetts. Of course, they could be copied by a local New Hampshire engraver but the style and layout is extremely similar.

I am wondering whether any of the lottery tickets which you have collected were done by Paul Revere.

My article on the Virginia halfpence is complete and I have sent it in to the William and Mary Quarterly without the listing of the die varieties. I believe I will use the die varieties section along with the text separately in the Numismatist if they want it. That will give it the greatest circulation.

I still will need your Virginia halfpence a little longer to get better photographs. It has been a very interesting study for me and actually a deviation from the principal work I was doing. I even found the advertisement in the Virginia Gazette on March 2, 1775 that halfpence were available for distribution by the Virginia Treasury Department. This explans why they are practically all uncirculated because the war began 40 days after they were first distributed and everyone hoarded them.

I may pass through New York but I may not bother you unless I have more extra time than I imagine.

Our very best to both of you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Feb 9-1955

F. C. C. Boyd

Ringoes, N. J.

Dear Eric

Enjoyed our talk at luncheon yesterday, only sorry that we do not get together more often

Now to answer your Question on Continental Note 5/10/75 - I do have a complete Blue Sheet of these Notes the blue is very light and I am sure that your note is from one of these sheets, perhaps has been in the sun light which faded the Note, you will remember that John Ford stated that no blue

Sheets were made of the issue

The So Carolina 50¢ note is ok.
I have it with this dark seal and
also have it with light seal
I think this is all the information
you wanted. I will send under
separate cover the Clay Catalogue
also the Florida pieces. and return
your 50¢ note.

Sincerely
Fred

P.S Found another Virginia
also sending my Collection of St Louis P.O. can
you beat it.

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February 10, 1955

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

You have no idea how much I enjoyed seeing you in New York and talking over our various interests and problems with one another. It was certainly surprising as I did not expect the weather to improve sufficiently to lure you away from your retreat.

The first amusing thing that happened when I returned home was that Mrs. Norweb wrote me that she had changed her mind and was going to let me give her Virginia halfpence to "my friend" in exchange for the one I had sent her. Her conscience probably hurt her. She is going to come to St. Louis on March 15th, she says, and wants to know what coins to bring with her.

I am looking forward to receiving from you your specimens of the James II plantation pieces and will try to have specific gravity tests made to determine the restrikes.

I welcome the opportunity to repair some of your items and will see what can be done to make them as attractive as possible.

I will try to acquire the South Carolina piece which I gave to you in New York but if you do not have it please let me know. I merely wanted you to check if it was genuine but it has now occured to me that you might need it. The owner has not placed a price on it yet.

I certainly look forward to seeing your New England silver whenever the occasion arises and I will go to work on the

Jefferson lottery ticket very promptly.

Best Valentine wishes to you and Helen from all of us.

Sincerely yours,

February 28, 1955

Mr.F. C. C. Boyd
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

The reason you have not heard from me for over two weeks is because I have run into a fantastic group of new material in the Archives of Colonial Williamsburg. It involves the Virginia halfpence as well as the Virginia paper money. I am enclosing an excerpt with respect to the James River Bank and the use of that paper for the regular issue of Virginia notes. You may have been wondering why the parenthesis were added to many of the James River bank notes and it is now completely explained by the letter from Mr. Nicholas. I would now like to see all of your James River bank notes as I am wondering if the James River Bank ever issued any notes of its own or whether Virginia took over all of the paper and used it for its own paper money because of the delays in getting proper paper which could not be readily counterfeited.

I would like you to look at your sheet of blue notes dated May 10, 1775 and let me know what denominations are in that sheet and whether you have any additional denominations of that date in blue notes other than those on that sheet.

I spent Sunday repairing some of your Massachusetts notes.I am very pleased with the results of the January 15, 1741 note which was in 6 separate pieces and which you will note I put together without any backing. I impregnated it with a small amount of liquid plastic so that it will stay in good shape. Unfortunately, this produces a slight degree of stiffness which I cannot avoid. I am returning this note as well as the Manufactory bill and the 5 shilling piece of 1713-1740. The latter, unfortunately, was impregnated with animal glue many years ago to stiffen it and I could not do too much with it except remove all its backing and etc. If you like my work please feel free to send me any other items which you would like repaired or impregnated.

I am enclosing a list which was prepared by Mr.Richardson, many

February 28, 1955

years ago with respect to signatures on the various Colonial bills. It might be worth while for you to have this available as it identifies many of the men in a very simple fashion.

Thank you for sending me the Clay catalogue and the Missouri Post Office pieces, etc. I have one of the pieces in copper and no specimen in pewter. As usual, you have very good taste in fascinating items. These, of course, are identification tokens that the Post Office in St. Louis used for a general delivery of mail.

Thanks to you, I took the Confederatio piece which I showed you in New York and had its specific gravity taken. It turned out to be a little over 7 and the Newcomer piece in my collection is over 9. Since struck copper has a specific gravityof 9 to 10, this was conclusive proof that the Mehl piece was a cast. I returned it to him and he graciously refunded the price to me.

The question now comes up as to bidding at the Schulman sale. [redacted] I would like to bid on a number of items in the sale and am wondering if you are going to attend. I thought it might be interesting to try to acquire the St. Patrick farthing and halfpence in copper to determine the die variety but you probably have practically all of those already. I would also like to try to get some of the New Jersey cents struck over other coins. There are a few colonial notes which I would like very much to try to acquire, namely, Lots 922 through 929, inclusive, 966, 980 and Lots 1169 through 1175. I also would like to acquire No. 1659, 1685 and possibly a few others. Apparently most of these are going on sale Friday night, March 18 and Saturday morning, March 19. Are you interested in any of these private scrip pieces of early New Jersey included in the Lots 1169-1175 group? I presume you noticed the lottery ticket, being Item No. 1176.

Would it be possible for you to let me hear from you with respect to the foregoing matters.

My very best to you.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

E N/atb

SHERATON ASTOR HOTEL
TIMES SQUARE
NEW YORK 36, N. Y.

Mch 5-1955

Dear Eric

Yours of the 28th to hand and thank you very much for the splendid J&K you did with my Colonial paper money. upon my return I will get my James River Notes and send them on for your inspection. Will also advise you 5/10/75 denomination on the sheet that I have.

Thank you for copy of Mr Richardson list.

I enclosed two coins with my St Louis P.O. Token and Clay catalogue did you find them

Now regards Schulman sale

The lots you are interested in
I am also interested in and
expect to bid on them. why
not leave it this way I will
buy in the lots and send
you the ones that are duplicate
to ones in my Collection —
W.R. pays good prices for these
pieces and I intend that if
he gets them he will have to
pay higher than I would
if when I get them you think
the prices too - high it will
be OK with me I will
keep them

I am in my for the
Inner Circle chairman
The P.O. Tokens are for your
collection Best Fred

March 11, 1955

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I am very pleased that you liked the colonial paper money I repaired for you. I still have one piece which is completely disintegrated and will return it in due course.

You seemed concerned that I did not locate the plantation token and your Virginia halfpence which were in your last shipment and I want to assure you that I did and will place those with your coins. The St. Louis Post Office identification tokens are now at the Historical Society and I may wish to give them one on your behalf. You certainly surprised me pleasantly by giving them to me.

I am delighted that you will use your discretion on my behalf in purchasing any items in the Schulman sale. There may be some items in which you are not at all interested and which I have, whereas there are other items where I want you to have the right of way. I will leave it entirely to your good judgment. I am enclosing a list of those I would like to acquire with comments.

I have located enough additional material on the Virginia coinage so that I am now considering letting the American Numismatic publish it.

Evelyn was so pleased that you and Helen enjoyed the coin glasses that when she located some old fashion glasses with the same design she reported to me that since you collect die varieties you certainly are entitled to the die variety in coin glasses. Accordingly they will be coming your way shortly.

Mrs. Norweb has now indicated that she is coming to see me shortly after the 18th of March and is going to bring a good many of her coins and look at a good many of mine. She really is an enthusiast and wish you could share the fun of our little western get-together. In any event, I will give you a complete report.

March 11, 1955

Whenever you feel like sending the James River notes, that will be fine.

Sincerely,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

April 7, 1955

Mr. F. C. C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I hasten to send you a lottery item offered for sale which the Missouri Historical Society was kind enough to advise me of. They are very nice in cooperating with respect to this type of thing.

I had thought I would be returning your Virginia material, etc. by now,but I want to improve a few of my photographs.

I just received word from the Public Records Office, in London, that they have found some additional documents on the Virginia coinage and, as a result, I will be delayed in submitting the final article until I receive that data. I am amused at the fact that I wanted to mention the Virginia coinage, casually, in the work I am doing on the Machins Mills history. Instead of it being mentioned casually, I tried to get my facts right and found out the facts did not exist. Then, with the help of your collection, I ended up writing an article, a copy of which I sent you. It is now almost three times as long due to a world of new material which I found in the manuscripts at Williamsburg. I have a little card on my desk which states to all visitors, "Please return to the topic under discussion". It looks like I should read that card myself. However, this diversion, I think, will be very worth while.

I look forward to hearing from you, at your convenience, with respect to the Schulman auction and the James River Bank matter.

Best regards to both of you.

Sincerely,

EPM/atb

April 25, 1955

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
P.O.Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

There was a big masked ball at our Art Museum and Evelyn wanted something numismatic to wear so she decided on "Three Coins in a Fountain". Not only did she win the Grand Prize, but I had to haul home a massive piece of marble sculpture which was the prize. It was a modernistic owl. I will enclose a clipping if she isn't too modest. Coins seem to cause a stir wherever they are.

This may be a bit boring but I want to explain what I have done with the Virginia coppers. There were in your holders, 15 Virginia coppers. I found your B6 and B15 to be identical varieties to B-4, therefore B-6 and B-15 are returned in envelopes marked "duplicates". You originally sent 21 more Virginia and later sent one more making a total of 37 coppers. I have found a total of 20 varieties for you and as I explained, I traded a couple of your duplicates to add varieties to your group. I have marked in red on the holders and on your envelopes my classification basis. In your duplicates I was able to find 7 varieties I did not have and you were kind enough to suggest that I add them to my collection even though I never collected varieties heretofore.

I am returning 10 duplicates, accounting for the total of 37 coppers sent me. The empty envelopes for those coins put in the holders are also returned. I did not use new holders because I felt you might have some notes on the old holders which you wish to keep or use for checking.

You sent a 1/24 real originally and one later, both of which are returned and classified. My article on this subject has been expanded and will be in the Numismatist soon.

I am returning your Clay catalogue and the only thing I now have of yours is the Jefferson lottery ticket.

It was a real privilege to work on your Virginia coppers and you know how I appreciate it. I have now uncovered so much more historical matters on them through the cooperation of the Royal Mint,

Mr.F. C. C. Boyd
P.O.Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

April 25, 1955

The English Public Records Office and Sir John Craig that I will really be able to complete my article in a manner which satisfies me and which I presume A.N.S. willlike.

Incidentally, the package in which I am returning these things has die varieties of the glasses I sent you previously.

Our best to both of you.

Sincerely,

E.N/atb

EDISON BROTHERS STORES, Inc

April 26, 1955

Missouri Historical Society
Jefferson Memorial Building
Forest Park
St. Louis, Missouri

Gentlemen:

I am delivering to you herewith a St. Louis Post Office identification token issued to McHose and English. This is a gift from my very good friend, Mr.F.C.C.Boyd, Post Office Box 153, Ringoes, New Jersey.

With the aid of your Miss Kell and Miss Frank we have determined that these were used in 1864 and 1865 because of the turmoil caused by the Civil War. The dies for these pieces were engraved by Stubenraugh and Weber, whose name is inserted below the eagle.

Apparently they are quite rare as those interested in philatelic history do not seem to know anything about them. In one book which lists the tokens of this sort from all over the United States there are not listed any other tokens issued for use at a Post Office.

I hope the token will be an interesting addition to your collection and if you need any assistance in writing up the known details concerning it I will be glad to do my part.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

Mrs. Frederic C. C. Boyd

Ringoes New Jersey

Dear Evelyn and Eric

The old fashioned glasses came and has delighted we are with them. They are the largest and yet the lightest I've seen. Fred and I had one drink from them the day they came and toasted you both. We are going to enjoy using them, just as we have the high balls. They are really beautiful and always admired by our friends.

Will you be coming East this year and will we see you?

We were so happy to get the picture and clipping of you Evelyn. What fun you must have had.

Where will you next trip take you? We are looking over folders with the thought of another trip, but nothing definite yet.

Fond wishes to you and so many thanks for the glass as well as your thought of us.

Very sincerely yours
Helen

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

May 7-1955

Dear Eric

Received the package of Coins O.K. also the wonderful Gift of O.F. they are unique and we will enjoy them very much, Thank you and your dear Wife for your kind thought.

Under separate Cover I am sending you my Collection of James River Notes contained in folders also an envelope of James River Duplicates you can have any of the duplicate that you lack with my compliments

I am sorry that I didn't obtain much for you at the sale - the prices were too high -

I got lot 1173 Hibernia Furnace with signature of Lord Stirling V.R. for 11.00

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Did not bid on Mass Bay note cancelled as I decided to present my set to you

How did you make out with Mrs Norwell's visit - did she bring any of her coins -

I hope you will forgive me for not writing sooner but I have been so busy with Lawyers that I am dizzy - I have been called by the D of J as a witness in their anti trust suit against the American News Co it has been a pain in the neck for me

Hope you like my James River note

Best to you and Evelyn

Fred

May 19, 1955

Mr. F. G. G. Boyd
P. O. Box 153
Ringwood, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

Your package and letters arrived and since both you and Helen were nice enough to thank for an insignificant present, we assume that both of you will enjoy them and share that enjoyment with your many friends.

I just received a group of photostats of the British Colonial records and have finally solved the matter of the Virginia penny. This was probably a trial die and because there were no planchets made 60 to the pound they took one of the planchets for the Irish halfpenny coinage which are 52 to the pound and struck a few samples on them. I am going to add all the new material into the article and send it in for publication so that I can go on to the next one.

Thank you for attending to my requests at the Scoulman auction and I enclose herewith my check for $11.00 to cover lot 1173. The Massachusetts item I wanted was lool because it was a Paul Revere note and you, apparently, thought I wanted 1603. However, there will be a next time on the Paul Revere item and I am returning the Massachusetts notes which you just forwarded me as I already have them. I certainly hope that you were able to add to your New Jersey collection and I presume you added a great many items from the sale.

Walter Green writes me that he has been stimulated by you to publish new varieties of New Jersey cents and to straighten out a few matters concerning them.

Mrs. Norweb was unable to visit me because her father-in-law was critically ill and died. She had to straighten out his affairs but already had booked passage for Europe, where she now is, in order to try to buy a collection. She plans to come to see me after she returns. She will go to any spot in the world to get new coins and gets a tremendous thrill out of traveling in connection with collecting. I am very anxious to see the items which she plans to bring here to show me as I imagine she has some lovely things.

The James River Bank Notes are fabulous and I am pleased to report to you that of the two specimens which I own, one of them

has a different signature from yours and I have added it to your group. I have also added a minor variety to your main collection and I will point out the difference when I return them. I am studying the problems with respect to these James River notes and as you may already know, the notes were intended to be used by a group of merchants who were forming a bank. The bank never was formed and the Treasurer of Virginia took their bank notes, had them printed on the back for the 1773 issue and laboriously wrote in most of the note. The reason this was done was because the 1769 and 1771 issues were counterfeited and all of those notes were to be taken out of circulation. The Scott catalogue indicates that there are no 1769 or 1771 notes known and I presume that you have some. I also find further complications with respect to the paper in the other large size paper issues from 1773 through 1775. Would it be possible for you, therefore, to send me the rest of your Virginia items between 1769 and 1775? The Virginia Treasurer seems to have been in complete confusion during this period because no one would lend the colony any money. No one had respect for the notes issued by the colony and the House of Burgesses placed on him the duty of financing their difficulties. If you could do this, I would be most appreciative.

The mound of duplicates of the James River Bank Notes which you sent along were a complete surprise and it certainly will add varieties to my two specimens. I am sincerely grateful.

[redacted]

Again, many thanks for your helpfulness and your generosity.

Sincerely yours,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

May 24-1955

Dear Eric

One of these days you are going to say Fred is at last answering letters within a day of their receipt - I have turned over a new leaf.

Thank you for your letter of the 19th and contents have been noted with care.

Walter Brown and I are checking all varieties of the N.J. Cents and after we are finished I hope to produce some I hope you can help us out with some of your fine N.J.

Mrs Norwood I am afraid is getting the same bug I had and still has of buying all fine collections - she must have a

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Wonderful Collection.

I am glad you like my James River Collection, you will note for my duplicates that I have been collecting them a long I bought every one that I come across in the past 20 years - I hope you find among my duplicates that will add to your collection - thank you for the specimen that you are adding to my collection.

By the way how do you like my new holders - I bought 1200 of them and now find I need a thousand more - I am destroying all of the Green holders.

I would just as soon be known as a dumbbell than act as a witness for the Dept of Justice

Sincerely Fred

OVER

June 3, 1955

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes,New Jersey

Dear Fred:

It is nothing short of sensational that you are so renewed with numismatic vigor that you are answering letters promptly and, above all, that you are working, diligently, on the New Jersey cents matter.

Your new paper money holders are very practical although you cannot see the reverse. If you have to order as many as 1,000 more and are going to use them for notes which have reverses, possibly you could have the back made of transparent material.

My wife picked the enclosed advertisement out of Antiques Magazine advertising a painting of a man holding a lottery ticket. I have no idea whether you are interested in a painting but I would give odds that you go to see it.

The new shopping centers which our company is going in to requires that I do a little traveling next week. I like traveling about as much as you like the Department of Justice lawyers.

Evelyn must have some retailing blood in her veins and since she can't get a job with the company she is operating a retail establishment of her own - per the enclosed newspaper article.

Our best to both of you.

Sincerely

EEK/atb

June 14, 1955

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

I will be delighted to assist you in any way with respect to your New Jersey material you are working up and my first contribution is enclosed, namely, the report of the copper coin committee to the New Jersey Assembly. You will note that the report mentions that there is a Treasurer's letter on the subject and I wonder where that Treasurer's letter is. Perhaps this gives you information which will be helpful.

Believe it or not, I ended up in Newburgh, New York last week, looking for the Machins Mills and I found Thomas Machins' house and the mill stream upon which his copper mill stood. It was raining and I got soaked. I found that nobody knew anything about the matter but located one woman who said she picked up copper coins around there as a child, 60 years ago. This was truly a labor of love.

I would have called you if there was any chance for us to have seen one another but my work virtually wore me out and I spent my evenings on long distance and my days arguing.

I wanted you to have the enclosed material promptly.

Our best wishes to you.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. Boyd

6/24/55

Ringoes, N. J.

Mr Eric P. Newman
St Louis Mo.

Dear Eric

Yours of the 14th received and assure delegates to hear from you also with the copy of the Petition.

We are getting along very rapidly on the N.J. Will illustrate one of the pieces — I do not know at this time How I am going to have it printed — ANS or myself.

Just bought the Clarke Collection of Colonials, it is rich in Signatures - I will have a great number of Duplicates. by the way if you are furnished with the James ~~Town~~ River notes and the other Va I sent you I would like to have them back to compare with my Clark material - However if you are not furnished with them just advise me

Best to you and your dear wife - I would like to be out there helping with her Hewston Fred.

June 30, 1955

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
P.O.Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

Evelyn and I are leaving for Europe this weekend. We are going to drive from Paris through southern Germany and Austria to Yugoslavia. We will be back the early part of August and we hope we have a lot of interesting adventures to relate.

I have taken pictures of certain of your Virginia notes and they are on their way back to you under separate cover. I have written certain comments on memos and slipped them into your holders indicating certain curious things I have noticed. I want to thank you, again, for the opportunity to add a few of your duplicates to my collection.

Your acquisition of the Clarke Colonial paper surprised me. I did not think there were enough new things for you in that group and I was told that the Clarke family insisted on it being auctioned. Apparently I was wrong on both counts. I am sure you will get a great deal of pleasure going through the material and adding to and improving your specimens. As to any duplicates you have you can count on the fact that I would very much like to buy many of them.

There is a new Fugio variety which was unknown to me in the July 11 sale of Coin Galleries and I have put a modest bid in for it and if I get it I will send it to you. I am merely telling you so that there will be no conflict. It is in very poor condition but a very rare variety.

My wife appreciated your remark about coming out to help her with her store but both of us have long been convinced that you are kidding with respect to coming out here. We certainly would be shocked to have that pleasure.

I presume in your article on New Jerseys you will illustrate one or more of the Johns Hopkins specimens.

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
P.O.Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

July 1, 1955

At last I have a real contact at Johns Hopkins. The Professor of Medicine of Washington University, St. Louis, has undertaken to redevelop the Johns Hopkins Medical School which has slipped substantially. His name is Dr.W. Barry Wood. He is going to be a Vice President of the University as well as a professor. I told him that you and I would probably come to see the coins some day and that he should try to straighten out the University's narrow-minded policy of not letting sincere students see some of the things they have. We hate to lose him as he is one of the outstanding medical men of the country.

Our very best wishes to both of you for a pleasant summer.

Cordially,

ERIC P. NEWMAN

EPN/atb

August 22, 1955

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

Evelyn and I have just returned from one of the best trips we have ever had. The roads, food and facilities in Yugoslavia were difficult, but the resorts, the natural beauty and antiquities made up for all our inconveniences. There were virtually no Americans traveling there. After we got accustomed to the secret police watching everything we did and after we became accustomed to the natives being afraid to talk to foreigners we felt rather secure. One night a gentleman, who we believe was a British agent, came to our room after midnight and told us not to talk to another gentleman who, apparently, was a Russian spy. The big excitement,however, was the arrival of the Onassis yacht at Dubrovnik with Greta Garbo on board. We have interesting pictures and hope we can show them to both of you.

As to your article on the New Jersey material, I am enclosing a copy of some material James Douglas published in the Numismatist and now that the New Jersey coppers with date over plow seem to have been made in England, the enclosed letter is more readily understood.

When I was in England I looked up the Pembroke specimen of the Good Samaritan shilling and was shocked to find that its reverse looked like the small size Pine Tree. You probably are completely familiar with the facts as to the other specimen and I would like to talk this over with you at a convenient time.

Incidentally, my conscience is beginning to bother me about holding on to my Pine Tree 6-K which you need to complete the fantastic group which you have. As dearly as I love it, I am bothered by the fact that you do not have it.

August 22, 1955

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Ringoes, New Jersey

I am sending you herewith some reprints of my article on the 1/24th real pewter piece and my text on the Virginia coinage is at A.N.S. now.

I acquired, and will send you as soon as it arrives,"The American Negotiator", a book onexchanges, values and calculations of Colonial currency and I hope you do not have it.

I also obtained a Low, No. 14, with complete original silver and if you do not have one in that condition I will send it.

I also bought a small group of St. Patrick farthings and if you save varieties of these I will be glad to send them to you.

I read very carefully the area where the flood damage took place and,apparently, you had no problem but,no doubt, many of your nearby friends did.

I enjoyed meeting the Baldwins,Seaby, and a few other dealers while I was in Europe and even found Schulman in London, too. They all seem to have a great deal of respect for Mr. Johnson and Baldwin told me that the thing that irritated Johnson most was a statement he had made that much of the ammunition sent to England by America during World War I, were duds. He had heard Johnson say, many times, that the English were a bunch of ingrates and that the most thankless thing to do was to help them in a war. Apparently, Baldwin liked to take advantage of Johnson's lack of a sense of humor.

I hope you are making progress in the Clark paper currency and have found many new varieties.As I previously indicated, I certainly look forward to finding a wayto acquire some of the duplicates.

My children get home from camp this week and it will be a pleasure to see them. We always looked forward to receiving mail from them in Europe and each time we got a letter we wished we hadn't received it. My daughter hit a diving board and wrecked her shoulder. My son got an infection which put him in the hospital. My daughter chipped a tooth off and now my son has advised us that he is bringing home a snake as a pet. The children are both fine now and the only remaining problem is the snake.

Mr. F.C.C.Boyd
Ringoes, New Jersey

August 22,1955

Evelyn has started on a new hobby collecting early miniature furniture samples and miniature apprentice pieces. That seems to intrigue her and we were able to find a few old ones in London. We had to ship all our clothing and souvenirs home by mail so that our suitcases could be used to carry her miniature furniture.

Our flights were delightful and we have almost given up boat riding forever.

Our very kindest regards to you and Helen and I hope this letter finds you in good health and "dry".

Sincerely,

EPNewman/atb

October 13, 1955

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
Box 153
Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

Evelyn and I appreciated the card which we received from Europe from Helen and yourself and, believe me, I was surprised but delighted that you had such a holiday. I know you had many exciting experiences.

Believe it or not, I have been reading the American Journal of Numismatics, beginning at the beginning and going through to the end as to American Colonial items and discovered a number of fascinating things. There are quite a number of theories on black dogg money (Crosby page 203) and I believe those are the plantation 1/24th real pieces which are referred to. This expression originated from the Scotch billon coin, the plack, which contained a rampant lion which was always called a dogg. Even on the Dutch coins which were circulating in New Amsterdam, the rampant lion was called a dogg and the coins referred to as doggdollars. I would appreciate your thoughts on what the "black dogg" could be.

Among the other articles I read was a discussion of the finding of the Fugio dies in the old Broome and Platt store. It seems to me that more than 6 must have been found if one counts hubs. I believe you have a hub impression of the obverse and reverse of the Fugio which has the rays extending through the band and I am wondering if I could photograph these and examine them.

I had an opportunity to tal' to Kenneth Scott and he is still most anxious to have photographs of the group of counterfeit Colonial paper money which you once laid aside. If you want to send them to me I will have photographs taken of them for him. If you want to send them to him I am sure he will be most delighted and will return them promptly.

In case you feel like answering anything in my previous letter, I am enclosing an extra copy, but I fully realize that the accumulation of mail while you were away must have been formidable. I hope the book I sent arrived.
With best regards to both of you,

Sincerely,

EPN/atb

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Oct 24th 1955

Dear Eric

Your letter of Aug 22 was not received by me till my return from Europe which was on the 14th of October upon my return Helen wanted to see the changing of the leaves in New England so we drove up to New Hampshire and Vermont it was beautiful except the weather was bad, so that is the reason you haven't heard from me

We enjoyed our trip to Norway, Sweden Denmark then to Switzerland and Italy then to Paris and home - we flew the Scandinavian via Iceland

And the Counts went thru
Han wonderful Art of course
you have been to these countries
and perhaps know them better than
I

I am glad that you and
Evelyn had such a wonderful
trip some day we will have
to make it

Thanks you for N J Material James
Douglas pub in the Numismatist

I will be pleased to discuss
with you the Good Samaritan
shilling that was in the Pembrook
collection

I appreciate your comment re
your Pine Tree 6K I would love
to have it

Thanks for the reprints of your
article on the 1/24 R pentic pc

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I would be glad to look over the St Patrick forthings by the way - they will be published separately not with the N J.

Think I have a beautiful No 14 not with original silver -

We have a little of the Floor about 4 in of water in Cellar

Thank you very much for the Book The American Negotiator - it is very interesting and I am glad to own it as it belonged to H. C.

I have not had time to look over the Clark Colonial Paper Money - I do not expect to add much from it - However I am keeping it intact for your next

and -

Visit

By golly Evelyn is a wonder
Now Collecting miniature Furniture
that is a wonderful Idea to collect
them, most of the miniature furniture
I have seen are very rare.

by the way Emily you are a
wonder to read.. A I of N from
the beginning to End - you haven't
finished it all, have you ~~and~~
I will be glad to send on the
the Fugro pieces within the
next week to have them Photographed

I do not know where I put
the Cif Colonial Money when I found
it I will be glad to let Scott
look it over

Hope you are not
working too hard, excuse

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writing — I am doing in between with Job.

Best to you and Evylin from us both Fred

Mrs. Frederic C. C. Boyd

Ringoes New Jersey

Dear Evelyn;

I wonder if, somehow, you and Eric knew I needed cheering up. We both do.

Red is my favorite color, and one I wore so much in my younger days. When I saw that gay little apron with the bells, it gave me a happy lift. Bless you both and thank you.

I wore it yesterday, serving ice cream to the children and something liquid to the oldsters and it delighted all.

Our lovely dog Brasher died recently of poisoning. What it

was a law he got it, we do not know, for he was very off the grounds, but we do know, this is indeed a bleak home with out him.

I hope one of these days to see you and Eric and hear some thing of your travels. We like Scandanavia so much, especially Norway.

May you have a merry christmas and a new year full of God's blessings.

Very sincerely yours

Helen

Dear Evelyn and Eric,

We had a pre-holiday drink from those beautiful glasses and wished you long life and continued happiness. It was such a wonderful surprise, receiving those glasses, and helped in a large measure to make our Christmas a very happy one. We think the drinks taste better and even our non collector friends have said so, too. Thank you both and bless you too.

We had a fine trip but came back to earth very forcibly on our return to Rangoon. Hurricane Hazel left a sorry mess

behind, trees and branches broken and part of the barn roof blown off. No damage to the house, thank god.

Did you go to Haiti? and did you like it? I hope we will see you this spring to tell us all about it and to give you a drink so you can judge for yourselves how nice it is to use the new glasses. Again thank you, and may the year ahead hold every blessing for you and yours

always fondly
Helen

Dec 26th

F. C. C. BOYD • RINGOES • NEW JERSEY

Dec 28th 1955

Dear Eric

Thought I would end the year with a letter to you — I have been under the weather for the past week with a head cold it is much better than morning

We lost our Brasher on Nov 13th after a weeks seeness the Doctor said that he was poisoned but I dont think so he was never loose, even on our own grounds — we miss him as much to day as we did when he died.

Eric I have disposed of my Collection of B. B Bill Except the Mo. Notes I know that you

are lacking at least 1 of them
so I am sending with the collection
with my compliments. I hope you
and your dear lady may have a
happy and healthy year 1956

with sincere regards from us both

Fred

December 30, 1955

Mr. F. C. C. Boyd
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Ringoes, New Jersey

Dear Fred:

This is just a New Year report. Our wives have had fun giving and thanking and I hope the holidays were pleasant for both of you.

I have been very busy working out leases on more and more shopping centers. I just signed one for Bergen Mall in Paramus and it was so thick I had to send each copy in a separate large envelope. We hope to work into Pennsylvania and New Jersey slowly as we have signed 6 in Long Island. There are too many centers being planned so we try to be careful to undertake only the choice ones. Unfortunately these deals have not taken me East as we have a lawyer in New York to help carry the load.

I enclose an auction catalogue of a coming sale containing considerable lottery material and hope it interests you.

Nothing has stopped my numismatic research and I am completing two new articles. The first is on counterfeit Continental notes and I have found an admission by the British Commanding General that he was responsible for it. I also have found a Broadside in the records of the Congress describing the counterfeits. I will send you my article when it is finished, but in the meantime, I am sending you the text of the newly located material.

The second article will be on U. S. copper coinage discussed by Benjamin Franklin and Edward Bridgen in a few letters dated 1779 which I located in the American Philosophical Society.

Both of these will be sent to the Numismatist. I don't know what to think of A.N.S. They have had my article on Virginia coinage for seven months and nothing has happened, but their recent publications were being reviewed four years ago. This makes me wonder about Walter's article on half cents, your treatise on New Jerseys and other worthwhile publications.

December 30, 1955

Mr.F. C. C. Boyd

I was thinking of talking to you about jointly setting up an educational corporation for numismatic publications. We could donate coins to it as a charity and sell those coins to raise money for publications. The proceeds of the sale of the publications would reduce the net cost, but it is wishful thinking to expect to break even. Submittals of material for publication could be from any one. Have you ever given this type of thing any consideration.

Another project I have undertaken is making cellulose acetate holders for the thousands of photographs, documents and engravings at our Historical Society. I have a firm who will permit the use of their heat sealing equipment and I'll get the acetate cut up by a printer into proper sizes. Of course I am going to remount all my banknotes and other paper money just as you seem to have done. If you want any clear envelopes of any particular size to mount things which don't go well in your mounts or if you want both sides visible, please let me know the size and it will be my pleasure to have them made for you when we get into production.

Mr. Kortjohn asked me to exhibit in May for the Metropolitan New York Convention and I wonder whether you ever participate. I know you formerly did most of the organizing and exhibiting, but I would appreciate your thoughts as to whether I should do it even if I don't attend. If it's educational I gladly help out, but if it's a speculators get-together, then I gladly bow out.

I hope all of us can get together soon and share some of our recent experiences. I sent a book on Greek coins to a fellow in Yugoslavia whom I met when we were there and he told me that since they required foreign exchange to buy they wouldn't give him permission. I have a thank you letter from him that is so appreciative and so pitiful. He pleads with me to write him and tell him about America.

I cannot close without repeating what Evelyn said, namely, that there should be a Brasher the Second, if it isn't inconvenient. You had so much enjoyment from Brasher the First.

Many happy New Years to both of you.

Sincerely,

EPN/atb